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A referendum petition is being circulated throughout the state for a constitutional amendment taking away from the judges the right to issue an injunction in labor disputes. Were this amendment to become part of our constitution, it would be impossible for the employer to appeal to the court for protection, though a mob of strikers were assaulting his workmen, preventing the employment of other help, destroying his property and ruining his goods. The amendment would make it impossible for him to stay the hand of the mob until such time as an amicable agreement could be entered upon or the difficulties adjusted.

Organized labor would have it that a private individual, apprehensive of injury to his property or person, might avail himself of the protection of an injunction; but if an employer, in dispute with his men, no matter how imminent the danger to his life, limb or property, this prohibitory protection should be unavailable.

The injunction, admits organized labor, makes it possible for the employer to hire whom he will; conduct his own business as he deems best; operate his own factory as he thinks it should be operated; exercise his rights as a free-born American citizen. Such is the complaint of organized labor against the law.

Counsel for organized labor even goes so far as to preach the vicious doctrine to the militant union, that in substance the law as administered today compels a man to work for whatever wage an employer wishes to pay him; compels him to work against his will; compels him to submit to any and all conditions his employer may take a notion to impose upon him. Note for instance the statements of one Maurice Sugar, who is a lawyer, according to *Detroit Labor News*. In a recent address to the Detroit Federation, he said:



It makes no difference if the picketing done be ten or a thousand feet away. If it comes to a show down it will not matter if the picket is five miles away if it is necessary to beat the strike.

In striking labor can only win by violating the law. As a lawyer I'm not supposed to say you should break the law, but I want to see labor win.

Let's assume that violence is used in a strike. Is one not entitled to twelve men or must he sneak up to one man—a judge.

The courts are the law bulwark in this fight and they'll construe laws they are to decide unless we make it absolutely clear that they can't issue injunctions.

Much of the viciousness of this preachment lies in the fact that the lawyer must have known, or at any rate should have known, that he was dangerously misleading his hearers. He must have known that he was falsely interpreting the law. He should have known that he was inciting his hearers to lawlessness and disregard for the very courts that have time and time again conserved the interests of the very men to whom he was preaching.

There is absolutely not a word or suggestion in the laws of the state of Michigan that prevents any man or body of men from quitting work in any shop or plant anywhere in the state. The law does, however, seek to protect the employer against the violence of an aggregation of men who see fit to leave his employ.

There is absolutely nothing in the laws of Michigan that prevents one man

from seeking to dissuade another from continuing in a certain man's employ, provided he does so by peaceful and lawful means. The law does, however, prohibit a set of men from intimidating one who wishes to continue his employment, assaulting him and perhaps taking his very life.

The laws of the state of Michigan give the employer the right to hire whom he pleases, just as they give the workman the right to choose his employer and place of employment. The law does not countenance violence during a strike or at any other time, and if organized labor adherents are guilty of using violence, should they have the right to demand that they be exempt from the law on the ground that it is their employer's property at which they are directing such violence?

If a court admonishes a man or body of men to cease using violence, destroying property and assaulting workers, and the injunction is disregarded, should it be necessary for that court to call in a jury of twelve men to pass on the guilt that is admitted? But, says Mr. Sugar, it is not a question of guilt; the proposition is to so fix the law that such violence cannot be interfered with.

The ranks of organized labor are filled in the main with honest, conscientious, industrious, patriotic workmen. In their very hearts the vast majority of these men have a deep respect for the majesty of the law and for the property rights of an individual, be he an employer or not. The deplorable thing is that they will listen to unscrupulous agitators; that they permit themselves to be led by men who are so disrespectful of law and order and who preach violence and spread discontent.

In the ranks of organized labor in Michigan today are thousands of men who if the nation issued a call to arms to avenge the wrongs committed against American citizens on American soil by the Mexicans, would lay down their tools and take up arms in defense of their flag. Yet the *Labor News* deliberately insults their intelligence and belittles their patriotism, and also insults the colored men who have enrolled for service under the stars and stripes, by publishing this statement:

African troops are marching into Mexico. Will this be the beginning of a war of conquest? A cry is already going up for the annexation of part of Mexico. Who wants it? Otis, that "grey wolf," that notorious open shopper of Los Angeles, and his pet son-in-law, Chandler.

It is time that organized labor threw off the galling yoke.

LOCAL NEWS

J. C. Foster transacted business in Mt. Pleasant, Monday.

George Randal was a St. Louis visitor, Tuesday morning.

Curtis Greenho was an East Lansing visitor last week Friday.

Edna B. Watson of Breckenridge was an Alma visitor, Tuesday.

Thomas Sampson of Mt. Pleasant was in Alma on business Monday.

Miss Louise Hood of Detroit visited with Alma friends over Sunday.

Ben Mindel of Grand Rapids was a business caller in Alma, Saturday.

James Stauffer visited at the home of his parents in Vestaburg on Sunday.

Dr. E. G. Sluyter, Osteopathic physician, Vermeulen block. Union phone 47—Adv.

Mrs. Harry King and daughter of Wheeler spent Sunday with E. L. King and family.

Dr. C. B. Gardner is in Detroit attending the American Medical association, this week.

Miss Axie Langlan of Weidman visited with Alma friends the fore part of the week.

George Blesch left Monday for a business trip through the northern part of the state.

Ray Beshgetoor was in Stanton last week Friday and Saturday, a guest of friends at that place.

Attorney James K. Wright of St. Louis was in the city for a short time on Monday of this week.

Lester Mead was in Detroit, Monday, on business connected with the Republic Truck Company.

Miss Ruth Dunham left Monday of this week for Douglas, where she will spend the summer months.

Dr. and Mrs. J. F. Suydam attended the American Medical association in Detroit, the first of the week.

Miss Anna Hamilton of Shepherd visited with Alma relatives and friends on Monday of this week.

Joseph Watkins of the Alma Elevator Company, was in Forest Hill on business Monday of this week.

Mrs. Clyde Campbell left Monday for Toledo, Ohio, where she will visit relatives and friends for a short time.

Robert Adams was an East Lansing visitor last week Saturday and on Sunday was a guest of friends in Ann Arbor.

Roy Gulick, who has been teaching in the high school at Fife Lake during the past year, has returned to Alma for the summer.

D. McPhaul of Mt. Pleasant, spent the latter part of last week in this city, a guest at the home of his son, Duncan McPhaul.

William Ewing, who has been teaching in the high school at Charlevoix during the past year has returned to his home in Alma.

Mrs. Gladis Hale and son, Floyd, and Miss Emma of Jackson are the guests of Mrs. Hale's brother, Clarence Wheeler, this week.

Alva Caple of Toledo, Ohio, was an Alma visitor over the week end, being a guest at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Caple.

N. S. Cummings, an employee of the Brewer Meat market, was confined to his home several days last week with blood poisoning.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hannah of Ithaca were in Alma on Monday afternoon to attend the funeral of G. S. Ward, who died last week Friday.

Everett Nichols of the Alma Record force was called to Howell Monday morning by a telegram, announcing the arrival of a girl at his home.

Rev. J. Earl Webber of Northville was an Alma visitor the fore part of the week, coming here to attend the annual Alma college commencement.

General Church of Ithaca was one of the many out of town people who attended the funeral of the late G. S. Ward on Monday afternoon of this week.

Paul Austin of St. Louis was an Alma visitor over the week end, and while here visited with college friends and attended the baccalaureate address at the Presbyterian church on Sunday evening.

County Correspondence

SUMNER ITEMS

Olen and Vere Ferris spent last week with friends in St. Johns and Lansing.

Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Waterbury of Fort Huron were guests of V. D. Stoff's and wife Friday.

A. E. Fowler and V. D. Stoff's were in Alma Monday.

R. M. Forquer attended the Merchants' convention in Grand Rapids Wednesday and Thursday of last week.

George Allen and wife and Mrs. Wiley of Wheeler were Summer visitors Monday evening.

Walter Harrison of Riverdale was in town Tuesday buying papers, rags and rubber.

Myron King and sons of Westville were Summer callers Friday.

Mrs. Pratt of Elm Hall was the guest of Mrs. Dayton Friday.

Mrs. Amos Button was called to Lansing again the latter part of last week to see her son, Charlie, who is quite ill.

Simon Beck of Arcadia was a business caller Friday.

The I. O. O. F. elected officers Tuesday night of last week as follows: Noble Grand, Charles Booth; Past N. G., F. E. McClenathan; Vice N. G., Sid Evey; secretary, Ralph Holcomb; treasurer, Wm. Phillips.

Mrs. Ella McCloskey of Ferris spent the week end with her sister, Mrs. Bess Johnson.

The Free Methodist church has installed a new church bell.

Versal Davis of Elm Hall spent Friday in Sumner with her friend, Nila Stafford.

Mr. and Mrs. Jason Church, who are working for Rogers Bros. near Maple Rapids, spent the week end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Church, south of town.

Mrs. Susanna Burgess of Battle Creek was the guest Saturday of Mrs. E. H. Tucker.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Hicks of Elm Hall attended the S. D. A. church here Saturday.

The recent rains have again swollen the river to its banks' limit, and some of the farmers on the heavy land are planting their corn in the mud.

Mrs. Wm. Mannerling is enjoying a visit from her brother, Mr. Belcher, of Flint.

Gus Herron of Cedar Corners was a Sunday visitor here.

A. E. Fowler is looking after his real estate interests in the Upper Peninsula this week.

F. J. Tucker and C. L. Booth were Elwell callers Sunday.

Mrs. Belle Karr, who lives west of town, was taken suddenly ill last Friday. Dr. Gardner was immediately called and she is reported better at this writing.

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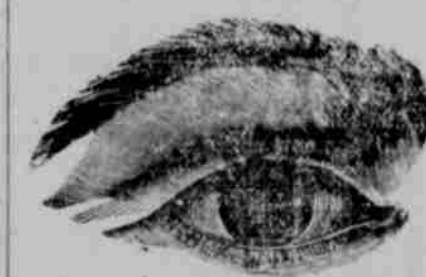
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